

## CONFERENCE CALL SUMMARY

**Date:** Thursday, May 26, 2011

**Subject:** USGS to observe the Navy's drilling

**Participants:**

Lora Fly, US Navy

David Brayack, TetraTech (Navy's consultant)

Stephen Scharf, NYSDEC

Rob Alvey, EPA

Carol Stein, EPA

**Summary:** Lora said that it wouldn't be a problem for USGS to observe the drilling, as long as the drilling schedule is not held up. Lora probably won't know the exact timing of the drilling, but that she could give us 1 day notice. The currently anticipated schedule is to begin to set up a new location on June 6<sup>th</sup>. It takes up to a week to complete setting up the location. Then it will take 4 to 6 weeks to drill. Visitors would have to bring certification of the 40-hr OSHA training (or refresher) if they want to get closer than 50-70 ft. H&S requirements probably would be modified Level D (hard-hat, steel toed shoes, safety glasses). Rob assured Lora that USGS would just be observing the sampling, and would not "direct" the contractor.

Steve Scharf noted that he is preparing a draft agenda for the upcoming TAC meeting scheduled for June 17<sup>th</sup>. (For the record, this is the TAC that was recommended in the ROD, and it is not the same as the Southeast Nassau County committee that Senator Schumer set up.) Steve anticipates that the meeting would end at around noon. At the meeting, Occidental is scheduled to speak about bio-sparging, Grumman is scheduled to speak about long-term monitoring, and the Navy is scheduled to speak about off-site groundwater drilling at GM-38. Lora Fly made a point to say that the Optimization Team's draft report will not be discussed in detail at the June 17<sup>th</sup> TAC meeting because the core team members who know most about the report will not be there at that time. Instead, there are plans to discuss the Optimization Team report at the conference call Gerry Petrella is setting up for June 23<sup>rd</sup>. This should give everyone enough time to review the draft report, which is scheduled to come out by June 10<sup>th</sup>.

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